



East London Coroners

**MISS N PERSAUD
SENIOR CORONER**


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	<p>REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS</p> <p>THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO: Austen Gunn, Senior Engineer, Highways Maintenance, Town Hall, Main Road, Romford, RM1 3BB</p> <p>Sent via email to: highways@havering.gov.uk</p>
1	<p>CORONER</p> <p>I am Miss N Persaud Senior Coroner for East London</p>
2	<p>CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS</p> <p>I make this report under paragraph 7, Schedule 5, of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 and regulations 28 and 29 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013.</p> <p>http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2009/25/schedule/5/paragraph/7 http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1629/part/7/made</p>
3	<p>INVESTIGATION and INQUEST</p> <p>On the 5th July 2019 I commenced an investigation into the death of Ellie Jessalyn Isaacs. This investigation concluded at the end of the Inquest on the 1st September 2020. The conclusion of the Inquest was a conclusion of accident.</p>
4	<p>CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH</p> <p>On the 19th June 2019 at around 20:50 Ellie Isaacs (22 years old) was hit by a motor vehicle at a Pelicon crossing on the A12 in Romford (approximately 65 metres east of Gallows Corner). Ellie Isaacs had pushed the button on the control panel, to prompt the lights to turn to red for vehicular traffic and turn green for pedestrians. She proceeded to cross the road prior to the green pedestrian light. The vehicular traffic light was amber. The motor vehicle proceeded through the amber light and collided with Ms Isaacs. She sustained fatal injuries in the collision and passed away in hospital on the 21st June 2019.</p>
5	<p><u>CORONER'S CONCERNS</u></p> <p>During the course of the inquest the evidence revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths will occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.</p> <p>The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows. –</p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Inquest heard that there are a number of items of street furniture that obstruct the view that drivers should have of pedestrians waiting at the Pelicon crossing (signage, bus stand, safety camera and overhanging foliage/tree branches). 2. The Pelicon crossing is sited shortly following a bend in the road and the immediate speed limit approaching the crossing is 30 miles per hour. Very shortly before the Pelicon crossing, the speed limit is 50mph. 3. A recent site visit noted a very high level of non-compliance with the automated traffic signals. Vehicles were noted not to be stopping at the amber traffic light phase. 4. The combination of the above factors, raises a risk of future deaths.
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6	<p>ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN</p> <p>In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you have the power to take such action.</p>
7	<p>YOUR RESPONSE</p> <p>You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by 2nd November 2020. I, the coroner, may extend the period.</p> <p>Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed.</p>
8	<p>COPIES and PUBLICATION</p> <p>I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner, to the family of Ellie Isaacs and to the Director of Public Health. I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.</p> <p>The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete or redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful or of interest. You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner.</p>
9	<p>7th September 2020</p> <p style="text-align: center;">  Signature _____ Miss N Persaud Senior Coroner East London </p>